

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 18 April 66 18/2200Z	2. LOCATION Laos
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION Astro (METEOR) ✓
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 - 3 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS First observed at 90-120 deg azimuth, 45 deg elevation. Within 2-3 seconds it passed over the aircraft on a northeasterly course and faded from sight as if it burned out.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Air-Visual	
7. COURSE Northeasterly	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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FLYING OBJECT IN THE STELL TIGER AREAS OF SOUTH LAOS. THE INFO-
MATION CONTAINED IN REF A WAS IMPRECISE AND IN PART MISLEADING.
2. REF B REQUESTED FURTHER DETAILS OF SIGHTING AND REF C DIRECTED
THIS HQ TAKE ACTION OF REF B. ALL AVAILABLE DETAILS FOLLOW.

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ZEN/CG FMFPAC F006

ZEN/CG III MAF

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INFO SIGHTING

CG FIRST MAW 181715Z

CINCPAC 250409Z

ADMIN CINCPACFLT 252104Z

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Classification Cancelled

DOWNGRADED AT 8 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
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Date *15 May 69*

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3. BETWEEN 182200H AND 182213H MAJOR CA SEWWL 051637 OF VMFA 7314 PILOTING AN F4R ON STEEL TIGER MISSION WAS IN THE VICINITY OF ICHEP AIRFIELD (XD 25485) AT 6,000 FT IN A LEFT TURN PASSING 100 DEGREES WHEN HE OBSERVED A UFO, THE OBJECT WAS FIRST OBSERVED AT A RELATIVE BEARING OF ROUGHLY 120 TO 090 DEGREES FROM HIS AIRCRAFT AT 45 DEGREES ABOVE THE HORIZON. WITHIN AN ESTIMATED TWO TO THREE SECONDS THE PROJECT PASSED OVER THE AIRCRAFT ON A NORTHEASTERLY COURSE AND FADED FROM SIGHT (AS IF BURNING OUT) AT ABOUT 10 DEGREES PAST THE VERTICAL. ALTITUDE WAS ESTIMATED AT "POSSIBLY" 10,000 FEET ABOVE AIRCRAFT ALTITUDE. ONLY A "TAIL" OF GASEOUS RESIDUE WAS OBSERVED WHICH WAS DESCRIBED AS SUBSIDING AND D ARC OF ABOUT 25 DEGREES. WHITE INTENSE MISSILE AND BORDERED ON BOTH SIDES WITH STRIP OF VERY BRIGHT GREEN. THE "TAIL" DID NOT PERSIST BUT APPEARED TO MOVE WITH ITS SOURCE MUCH LIKE AN AFTERBURNER OR ROCKET EXHAUST. SMALL PARTICLES APPEARED TO GET HIGHER AS IT WENT OVER THE OBSERVERS AIRCRAFT, WEATHER WAS FIVE MILES IN RAZE WITH A SCATTERED LAYER AT 18,000 FEET, NO UNUSUAL ATMOSPHERIC OR ELECTRONIC PHENOMENA WERE OBSERVED. THE PILOT STATED THAT HIS FIRST IMPRESSION WAS A BIG COMET BUT IT APPEARED TO BE

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TOO CLOSE AND TOO BIG, MORE LIKE A ROCKET.

4. CAPT R. C. DEYF 072617 OF VMFA 7 14 HAS STATED HE OBSERVED THE SAME OR SIMILAR OBJECT TWICE BEFORE, ONCE IN THE SAME AREAS AS THE OBSERVATION ABOVE AND ONCE IN THE VICINITY OF 150 DEGREES 5 NM FROM CHU LAI. HOWEVER, PREVIOUS OBSERVATIONS WAS REPORTED OR DEGRIPPED AND ACFT DFYO IN NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW AT THIS TIME.

GP-4.

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Astro (meteor)